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AMENDMENT

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This is in response to the Official Action dated July 30, 2002, rejecting claims 1-9 in this application.

Applicants are amending this application and respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the grounds of rejection.

A Petition and Fee for a Three Month Extension of Time, a Response Transmittal Sheet, an Information Disclosure Statement, form PTO-1449, a copy of the document listed on form PTO-1449, a Fee Transmittal Sheet (in duplicate), and return Post Card accompany this Amendment.